

POSTLICENSURE PROGRAMS

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING PSYCHIATRIC-MENTAL HEALTH NURSE PRACTITIONER PROGRAM

Overview

Program Description

The Master of Science in Nursing Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (MSN PMHNP) Program is designed for learners who already hold a bachelor's degree in nursing and prepares graduates to become Advanced Practice Registered Nurses with specific emphasis on the role of the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner. The MSN PMHNP content is grounded in the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) Essentials of Master's Education in Nursing and evidence based on national standards and research related to current practice, education, legislative, and research trends in healthcare and local needs along with various guiding principles, documents, and regulations set forth by the:

- American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) Standards of Master's Education (2011)
- Criteria for the Evaluation of Nurse Practitioner Programs (5th ed.). A Report of the National Task Force (NTF) on Quality Nurse Practitioner Education (2016)
- The National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties Nurse Practitioner Core Competencies (NONPF, 2017)
- Population-Focused Nurse Practitioner Competencies (2013)
- Quality and Safety in Nursing Education (QSEN) Competencies: Graduate KSA's (2012)

The curriculum is designed to prepare nurses who complete the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner track for the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse role by expanding their nursing body of knowledge and skills in a role and specified population foci. Learners in the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner track will develop advanced knowledge and skills in assessment (including differential diagnosing), intervention (including prescribing), and management within the construct of the psychiatric-mental health patient-provider relationship and patient-centered care across the lifespan. The learner will be prepared to function as an effective member of the interdisciplinary healthcare team and to provide consultation, collaborative management, and/or referral. The curriculum will prepare the learner to be eligible to become certified in their population foci. The curriculum addresses advanced practice psychiatric-mental health scope of practice concepts in the Role of the Advanced Practice Nurse course, and concepts are reinforced throughout the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner specialty courses and applied in all practicum learning experiences. The graduate core courses will provide foundational knowledge and skills for the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse role. These courses also include Advanced Pathophysiology Across the Lifespan; Advanced Pharmacology Across the Lifespan; and Advanced Assessment Across the Lifespan. Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner learners will be expected to demonstrate skills in psychiatric-mental health differential diagnosis and disease management. Learners will be prepared to be granted prescriptive authority, if applicable, in their state of licensure. The curriculum meets certification eligibility requirements for the ANCC Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner examination. After the achievement of the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse certification, graduates will be able to apply for an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse license.

A total of fifty-five (55) semester credits consisting of different combinations of courses: core, direct care core, specialty, and clinical are required for the conferral of the MSN degree. Thirty-seven (37) credit hours will be dedicated to didactic theory learning, and eighteen (18) credit hours will be dedicated to clinical learning experiences. Learners can complete the MSN PMHNP program in six (6) academic semesters or ninety-six (96) academic weeks of instruction.

The MSN PMHNP Program utilizes full-distance delivery of instruction, where learners engage in online didactic and clinical learning experiences within the realms of advanced practice psychiatric-mental health nursing including health promotion, disease prevention, leadership, policy, ethics, pharmacology, and pathophysiology. The curriculum addresses the scope of practice concepts in the Role of the Advanced Practice Nurse course, and concepts are reinforced throughout the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner specialty courses and applied in all practicum learning experiences. The curriculum is expected to prepare nurses who complete the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner track for the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse role by expanding their nursing body of knowledge and skills in a role and specified population foci. Upon satisfactory completion of the prescribed MSN PMHNP Program curriculum with a minimum 3.0 GPA and the fulfillment of other graduation requirements, the learner will earn a Master of Science in Nursing – Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (MSN PMHNP) Degree.

Note: The Program only enrolls residents in states where it is fully authorized. If a learner enrolls in the Program and subsequently moves to a state where the Program is not authorized, he/she will not be able to continue being enrolled until such authorization is obtained. Learners must notify the Program immediately upon relocation.

Program Objectives

1. To build professional advanced practice nursing capacity based on evidence and theory with an appreciation of the uniqueness of each individual and family, diversity, and the multidimensional aspects of health.

2. To build ethical and value-centered advanced practice nursing that enhances personal and professional growth and development, fosters clinical reasoning and problem-solving, and supports engaging collaboration within communities and populations.
3. To build advanced practice nursing leadership capacity to address challenges and advance the science of advanced nursing practice.
4. To build professional and research capacity to meet the primary health care needs of diverse communities and populations.

Program Outcomes

MSN PMHNP Program Outcomes are aligned with the Institutional Effectiveness Plan and measure the degree to which the Program achieves its stated mission. For current MSN PMHNP Program Outcomes benchmarks, see the MSN PMHNP Program Outcomes Benchmarks Catalog Insert.

Program-Level Learner Outcomes

The MSN PMHNP Program, in alignment with the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) *The Essentials: Core Competencies for Professional Nursing Education*, has identified program outcomes, including program-level learner outcomes and competencies, alumni outcomes, and faculty outcomes to evaluate Nightingale College's MSN PMHNP Program effectiveness. The learner outcomes include program completion and employment rates, achievement of Nightingale College's graduate general education goals, achievement of expected learner outcomes, satisfaction with courses and instruction, and satisfaction with overall program effectiveness.

At Program completion, as measured by evaluation activities throughout the Program, the graduate will:

1. Integrate evidence-based findings from research in the humanities and sciences, while synthesizing the holistic nature of advanced practice nursing and diagnostic reasoning to build quality and safe patient care across diverse settings and enhance patient, healthcare, and organizational outcomes.
2. Engage in leadership, scholarship, and change agent activities that promote collaboration and communication among interdisciplinary team members and community stakeholders.
3. Evaluate and utilize best evidence to improve quality, safety, and access in clinical practice.
4. Integrate clinical guidelines, research, clinical judgment, and interdisciplinary perspectives using translational processes to improve practice, health, and organizational outcomes.
5. Incorporate information technology when interacting and collaborating with patients, families, and interdisciplinary team members for improved health care delivery processes and outcomes.
6. Implement knowledge of organizational policies and complex systems to influence the delivery, cost, and quality of healthcare services.
7. Facilitate the development of health care systems while addressing the complex issues concerning the care of individuals, populations, and stakeholders.
8. Integrate ethical principles while evaluating the impact of legal, social, political, economic, and ethical issues and their influence on the provision and management of patient care services.
9. Provide patient-centered and evidenced-based care while functioning as an independent practitioner.

Core Competencies

1. Client-Centered Care
2. Intentional Learning with Reflection
3. Evidence-Based Practice
4. Decision-Making and Clinical Reasoning
5. Organizational, Local, and Global Leadership
6. Communication and Informatics
7. Quality and Safety Assurance
8. Teamwork and Collaboration

Admissions Requirements

Requirements and Procedures

All applicants work closely with an Admissions Advisor to assess career goals, motivation, and commitment to learning.

To be considered for admission, an applicant must meet the following requirements:

1. Pay the \$150 non-refundable application fee (the application fee is waived for all Nightingale College's pre-licensure programs graduates and active-duty members of the U.S. Uniformed Services).
2. Complete Application for Admissions (the Application and the paid fee are valid for one (1) year).

3. Submit official transcripts from each post-secondary institution attended. The institution(s) must send the transcripts directly to Nightingale College. Applicants must hold a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from an institution of higher learning accredited by an agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education or Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) with a minimum 3.0 GPA earned on a 4.0 scale.
 - Applicants with an undergraduate cumulative GPA of 2.7 to 2.99 may be considered for admission on probation but must achieve a B (3.0) or better in the first eleven (11) credits of the program to be removed from probation.
 4. Submit proof of a current active unencumbered registered nurse (RN) licensure from any U.S. jurisdiction. Learners are expected to maintain an active and unencumbered RN license throughout the program of study.
 - Applicants educated within the United States who hold a U.S. RN License must submit the following:
 1. A copy of their active and unencumbered U.S. RN license.
 - Applicants educated outside of the United States who hold a U.S. RN license must submit the following:
 1. A copy of their active and unencumbered U.S. RN license.
 2. An Academic Report from a [National Association of Credential Evaluation Services \(NACES\)](#) member organization, an organization recognized by the U.S. Department of Education or the [Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools \(CGFNS\)](#) certificate stating that the learner's nursing education is comparable to that obtained by a graduate of a U.S. Bachelor of Science nursing program with a minimum GPA of 3.0 on 4.0 scale.
1. Submit a resume or curriculum vitae.
 2. Submit Personal Statement of Interest.
 3. Submit two (2) letters of recommendation from most recent employer (supervisor) and from a professor who can address the applicant's clinical expertise and academic preparation for the program.
 4. Participate in an PMHNP Program interview.
 5. Must be actively working as an RN. One year of RN experience is strongly encouraged.
 6. Meet with a Financial Aid Advisor to initiate the Financial Aid process.

Note: Nightingale College is committed to ensuring the highest level of academic integrity throughout the admissions process. Violations of the academic integrity policy at any point in the admissions process will result in automatic denial of admission. See the [Academic Integrity](#) section of the College Catalog for more details.

Tuition and Fees

This section has been updated. Please view the [Errata and Addenda](#) section of the catalog to see what was changed.

Tuition for the MSN PMHNP Program is \$540 per semester credit. Tuition does not include the non-refundable application fee or any course resources fees. The College reserves the right to change its tuition and fees at any time, with a 30-day notice.

Item	Fee
Resources Fee per Course	\$300
Remote Proctoring Fee per Semester	\$125

Nightingale College Alumni Tuition Reduction

A tuition reduction of \$50 per semester credit will be applied to the accounts of the College's baccalaureate degree graduates at the time tuition is charged. The Nightingale College Alumni Tuition Reduction is not applicable to repeat coursework.

Estimated Total Program Cost

The estimated total program cost is \$34,050.

Curriculum Plan

Curriculum Plan

The Essentials: Core Competencies for Professional Nursing Education provides a framework for preparing individuals as members of the discipline of nursing, reflecting expectations across the trajectory of nursing education and applied experience (AACN, 2021). Because professional nursing practice in all settings requires consideration of the individual, family, community, and population as a client, these outcomes are essential to the master's nursing education offered by Nightingale College.

The MSN PMHNP Program consists of thirty (30) graduate-division nursing courses delivered over six (6) academic semesters and ninety-six (96) academic weeks, for a total of fifty-five (55) semester credits. There are five hundred and forty-seven point five (547.5) didactic, twenty-two point five (22.5) applied field experience, and eight hundred and ten (810) integrative clinical contact hours total. A sample curriculum layout is presented in the table below.

Sample Curriculum Plan

Course Number	Course Name	Delivery Modality	Semester Credits	Didactic Learning			Remote	Experiential Learning				Total
				CBT	ISBP	VCBP	ISB	VCBC	DFC	IP	AFE	
Semester 1												
MSN 580	Role of the Advanced Practice Nurse	Online	3	45								45
MSN 582	Advanced Pharmacology Across the Lifespan	Online	4	60								60
MSN 584	Advanced Pathophysiology Across the Lifespan	Online	4	60								60
Total			11	165	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	165
Semester 2												
MSN 586	Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Across the Lifespan	Online	2	30								30
MSN 588	Advanced Assessment Across the Lifespan	Online	4	52.5							22.5	75
MSN 590	Health Policy, Legislation, Economics and Ethics	Online	3	45								45
Total			9	127.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	22.5	150
Semester 3												
MSN 592	Evidence-Based Practice	Online	3	45								45
MSN 596	Psychopharmacology and Neuropathophysiology	Online	3	45								45
MSN 631*	Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 1	Online	1							45		45

				CBT	ISBP	VCBP	ISB	VCBC	DFC	IP	AFE	
MSN 632*	Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 2	Online	1							45		45
MSN 633*	Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 3	Online	1							45		45
MSN 634*	Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 4	Online	1							45		45
Total			10	90	0	0	0	0	0	180	0	270
Semester 4												
MSN 598	Health Informatics for the Advanced Practice Nurse	Online	3	45								45
MSN 630	Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan I	Online	3	45								45
MSN 635*	Advanced Family Health in Primary Care Settings Practicum 5	Online	1							45		45
MSN 636*	Advanced Family Health in Primary Care	Online	1							45		45

				CBT	ISBP	VCBP	ISB	VCBC	DFC	IP	AFE	
	Settings Practicum 6											
MSN 637*	Advanced Family Health in Primary Care Settings Practicum 7	Online	1							45		45
MSN 638*	Advanced Family Health in Primary Care Settings Practicum 8	Online	1							45		45
Total			10	90	0	0	0	0	0	180	0	270
Semester 5												
MSN 650	Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan II	Online	3	45								45
MSN 639*	Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 9	Online	1							45		45
MSN 641*	Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 10	Online	1							45		45
MSN 642*	Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 11	Online	1							45		45

				CBT	ISBP	VCBP	ISB	VCBC	DFC	IP	AFE	
MSN 643*	Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 12	Online	1							45		45
Total			7	45	0	0	0	0	0	180	0	225
Semester 6												
MSN 690	Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan III	Online	2	30								30
MSN 644*	Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 13	Online	1							45		45
MSN 651*	Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 14	Online	1							45		45
MSN 646*	Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 15	Online	1							45		45
MSN 647*	Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across	Online	1							45		45

				CBT	ISBP	VCBP	ISB	VCBC	DFC	IP	AFE	
	the Lifespan Practicum 16											
MSN 648*	Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 17	Online	1							45		45
MSN 649*	Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 18	Online	1							45		45
Total			8	30	0	0	0	0	0	270	0	300
MSN FNP Program Total			55	547.5	0	0	0	0	0	810	22.5	1,380

Satisfactory Academic Progress Table

Total Credits Attempted	Financial Aid Warning or Probation if CGPA is below	Financial Aid Warning or Probation if course completion rate is below
1-8	3.0	67%
9-16	3.0	67%
17-24	3.0	67%
25-32	3.0	67%
33-40	3.0	67%
41-49	3.0	67%
50-58	3.0	67%

Course Descriptions

MSN 580 : Role of the Advanced Practice Nurse

Delivery Modality: Distance (Online Didactic Instruction)

Semester Credits: 3 (Didactic Only)

Contact Hours: 45 (Online Didactic)

Outside Preparation: An average of three (3) hours per week for every didactic credit hour.

MSN 580 : Role of the Advanced Practice Nurse

Typically Offered:

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

Requisites: None

Description: This course explores the foundations of leadership and system innovation and develops the necessary skills to lead change and to create evidence for where change is most needed, how innovation can be developed and implemented, and how to systematically assess the impact of change on all aspects of the health system. This course examines the philosophical foundations of advanced nursing practice by analyzing interrelationships among theory, philosophy, practice, and research. Various advanced practice nursing roles and critical elements involved in managing advanced practice nursing environments are analyzed. Course content is designed to facilitate the learner's APN role assimilation.

MSN 582 : Advanced Pharmacology Across the Lifespan

Delivery Modality: Distance (Online Didactic Instruction)

Semester Credits: 4 (Didactic Only)

Contact Hours: 60 (Online Didactic)

Outside Preparation: An average of three (3) hours per week for every didactic credit hour.

Typically Offered:

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

Requisites: None

Description: The purpose of this course is to increase knowledge and expertise in the principles of pharmacotherapeutics across the lifespan. Legal, legislative, and safe prescribing principles, consideration for special populations, and medication prescribing/management will be covered. This course provides the learner an opportunity to integrate previous knowledge and experience, develop self-confidence, and build expertise to maintain efficacious outcomes while providing safety with prescribing practices.

MSN 584 : Advanced Pathophysiology Across the Lifespan

Delivery Modality: Distance (Online Didactic Instruction)

Semester Credits: 4 (Didactic Only)

Contact Hours: 60 (Online Didactic)

Outside Preparation: An average of three (3) hours per week for every didactic credit hour.

Typically Offered:

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

Requisites: None

Description: The purpose of this course is to increase knowledge, understanding and expertise in the principles of advanced pathophysiology. Through readings, lecture, case studies, and exams, the learner will develop enhanced knowledge of the pathophysiology of the disease processes across the lifespan. Understanding the pathophysiologic process will facilitate the graduate learner's progression to understanding the signs and symptoms of the disease process and allow for appropriate diagnosing and treatment.

MSN 586 : Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Across the Lifespan

Delivery Modality:	Distance (Online Didactic Instruction)
Semester Credits:	2 (Didactic Only)
Contact Hours:	30 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	An average of three (3) hours per week for every didactic credit hour.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	None
Corequisites:	None
Requisites:	None
Description:	This course is a study of program planning processes for health promotion, disease prevention, screening, and anticipatory guidance to all populations, including special populations, across the lifespan. Graduate learners will explore methods of population-focused health assessment in the community, individuals, and families.

MSN 588 : Advanced Assessment Across the Lifespan

Delivery Modality:	Distance (Online Didactic Instruction)
Semester Credits:	4 (Didactic Only)
Contact Hours:	60 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	An average of three (3) hours per week for every didactic credit hour.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	
Corequisites:	None
Requisites:	None
Description:	The purpose of this course is to increase knowledge and expertise in advanced physical, psychosocial, spiritual, and cultural assessment and enhance diagnostic knowledge required for maintaining health for patients across the lifespan. A holistic and comprehensive approach to the patient is emphasized with particular attention to identifying the health promotion and disease prevention needs as well as the management of common signs and symptoms that present to patients across the lifespan. This course also provides the learner an opportunity to learn various clinical and diagnostic skills performed by the advanced practice nurse. Learners will be required to complete three consecutive days of in-person#applied field experience during Week 15 of the course. The applied field experience will be held over three days near Nightingale College's (College) Operations Support Center in Salt Lake City. The purpose of the applied field experience is to provide a review and competency check of previously obtained knowledge and skills and allow learners to participate in service-learning activities.

MSN 590 : Health Policy, Legislation, Economics and Ethics

Delivery Modality:	Distance (Online Didactic Instruction)
Semester Credits:	3 (Didactic Only)
Contact Hours:	45 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	An average of three (3) hours per week for every didactic credit hour.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	None
Corequisites:	None

MSN 590 : Health Policy, Legislation, Economics and Ethics

Requisites:	None
Description:	Social, political, and economic factors influence policies that impact health outcomes in communities, nationally and globally. Nurse leaders need to understand the determinants of health as well as how legal and regulatory processes, healthcare finances, research, the role of professional organizations, and special interest groups/lobbyists impact health outcomes. This course provides a framework for understanding the organization of healthcare delivery and financing systems in the U.S. and other nations. It addresses how policies are made and the factors that influence policies at local, national, and global levels, impacting health/wellness and the nursing profession. The roles of values, ethical theories, stakeholder interests, research, and recent legislation related to health policy and health outcomes will be explored. The graduate learner will gain expertise in effecting change through active participation in influencing or developing policies that impact health.

MSN 592 : Evidence-Based Practice

Delivery Modality:	Distance (Online Didactic Instruction)
Semester Credits:	3 (Didactic Only)
Contact Hours:	45 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	An average of three (3) hours per week for every didactic credit hour.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	None
Corequisites:	None
Requisites:	None
Description:	This course explores the methodology and application of nursing research and its relevance to advanced practice nursing, nursing education, nursing practice, and the learner's specialty focus area. Emphasis is on research design, implementation, and application of research. The graduate learner will also explore evidence-based practice models, quality improvement models, and grading levels of evidence.

MSN 596 : Psychopharmacology and Neuropathophysiology

Delivery Modality:	Distance (Online Didactic Instruction)
Semester Credits:	3 (Didactic Only)
Contact Hours:	45 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	An average of three (3) hours per week for every didactic credit hour.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	MSN580; MSN582; MSN584; MSN586; MSN588; MSN590
Corequisites:	MSN PMHNP Practicum courses
Requisites:	None
Description:	This course is intended to offer learners with knowledge of neuropathophysiology and psychopharmacotherapeutics of common and complex mental health illnesses across the lifespan. In addition, the course content includes function and neural structure that is implicated in symptom presentation and progression of disease of common and complex mental health illnesses. Medications utilized for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of common and complex psychological and psychiatric illnesses and monitoring of behavioral, psychiatric, and physiological responses to these interventions is highlighted.

MSN 598 : Health Informatics for the Advanced Practice Nurse

Delivery Modality:	Distance (Online Didactic Instruction)
Semester Credits:	3 (Didactic Only)
Contact Hours:	45 (Didactic Contact)
Outside Preparation:	An average of three (3) hours per week for every didactic credit hour.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	None
Corequisites:	None
Requisites:	None
Description:	This course examines a variety of informatic theories, models, and issues within complex healthcare systems. Graduate learners will examine complementary roles of master's level-prepared nursing information technology professionals, informaticists and quality officers. Content is directed toward assisting the student to understand system planning, analysis, implementation, and evaluation. Learners will analyze current and emerging technologies; data management; ethical legal and regulatory best-practice evidence; and bio-health informatics using decision-making support systems at the point of care. This course will emphasize the role of the Advanced Practice Nurse in clinical area such as telehealth and mobile health.

MSN 630 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Across the Lifespan I

Delivery Modality:	Distance (Online Didactic Instruction)
Semester Credits:	3 (Didactic Only)
Contact Hours:	45 (Didactic Contact)
Outside Preparation:	An average of three (3) hours per week for every didactic credit hour.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	MSN580; MSN582; MSN584; MSN586; MSN588; MSN590; MSN592, MSN596; MSN598
Corequisites:	MSN Practicum courses
Requisites:	None
Description:	This course explores the role of the Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner within the construct of health promotion, disease prevention, assessment, diagnosis, and management of common and complex mental illnesses across the lifespan. Evidence-based practice, research, and theory are utilized to identify strategies that are critical to advanced nursing practice for health promotion and prevention of disease. In addition, learners apply clinical judgment to develop differential diagnoses and develop and implement an evidence-based plan of care and therapeutic regimen including psychopharmacology. Concepts related to effective patient, provider, and healthcare team communication and collaboration in addition to diversity, equity and inclusion elements are highlighted. Evidence-based practice and practice standards guide holistic care, psychopharmacology, and therapy across the lifespan as individuals, families, and communities. The patient's sociocultural background, developmental level, and treatment settings are discussed and considered in the management of care.

MSN 631 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 1

Delivery Modality:	Distance (Online Didactic Instruction)
Semester Credits:	1 (Didactic Only)
Contact Hours:	45 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	An average of three (3) hours per week for every didactic credit hour.
Typically Offered:	

MSN 631 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 1

Prerequisites:	MSN 580, MSN 582, MSN 584, MSN 586, MSN 588, MSN 590, MSN 592, MSN 594
Corequisites:	None
Requisites:	MSN 596, MSN 630, MSN 650, MSN 690
Description:	This one (1) credit hour supervised practicum experience will provide the learner with an opportunity to synthesize and apply advanced practice nursing skills and knowledge regarding the assessment, diagnosis, and management of care among children, adolescents, pregnant women, adults, and older adults in psychiatric-mental health settings. Learners will function under the mentorship of course faculty and work in collaboration with qualified preceptors. In addition, the learner will build academic and clinical advanced practice nursing capacity within the APRN overarching competency areas and role domains including, but not limited to, 1) scientific foundation, 2) leadership, 3) quality, 4) practice inquiry, 5) technology and information literacy, 6) policy, 7) health delivery systems, 8) ethics, and 9) independent practice. NOTE: Learners are responsible for a total accumulation of 18 credits/810 contact hours of psychiatric-mental health practicum experience throughout the entire program. The practicum courses are typically developed in one (1) credit hour/45 contact hour increments to allow for learner flexibility in scheduling and completing the required program practicum hours.

MSN 632 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 2

Delivery Modality:	Distance (Online Didactic Instruction)
Semester Credits:	1 (Didactic Only)
Contact Hours:	45 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	An average of three (3) hours per week for every didactic credit hour.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	MSN 580, MSN 582, MSN 584, MSN 586, MSN 588, MSN 590, MSN 592, MSN 594, MSN 604
Corequisites:	None
Requisites:	MSN 596, MSN 630, MSN 650, MSN 690
Description:	This one (1) credit hour supervised practicum experience will provide the learner with an opportunity to synthesize and apply advanced practice nursing skills and knowledge regarding the assessment, diagnosis, and management of care among children, adolescents, pregnant women, adults, and older adults in psychiatric-mental health settings. Learners will function under the mentorship of course faculty and work in collaboration with qualified preceptors. In addition, the learner will build academic and clinical advanced practice nursing capacity within the APRN overarching competency areas and role domains including, but not limited to, 1) scientific foundation, 2) leadership, 3) quality, 4) practice inquiry, 5) technology and information literacy, 6) policy, 7) health delivery systems, 8) ethics, and 9) independent practice. NOTE: Learners are responsible for a total accumulation of 18 credits/810 contact hours of psychiatric-mental health practicum experience throughout the entire program. The practicum courses are typically developed in one (1) credit hour/45 contact hour increments to allow for learner flexibility in scheduling and completing the required program practicum hours.

MSN 633 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 3

Delivery Modality:	Distance education and practicum experiences
Semester Credits:	1 Contact
Contact Hours:	45 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	The learner will complete a total of 45 practicum hours in this course.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	MSN 580, MSN 582, MSN 584, MSN 586, MSN 588, MSN 590

MSN 633 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 3

Corequisites:	None
Requisites:	MSN 596, MSN 630, MSN 650, MSN 690
Description:	This one (1) credit hour supervised practicum experience will provide the learner with an opportunity to synthesize and apply advanced practice nursing skills and knowledge regarding the assessment, diagnosis, and management of care among children, adolescents, pregnant women, adults, and older adults in psychiatric-mental health settings. Learners will function under the mentorship of course faculty and work in collaboration with qualified preceptors. In addition, the learner will build academic and clinical advanced practice nursing capacity within the APRN overarching competency areas and role domains including, but not limited to, 1) scientific foundation, 2) leadership, 3) quality, 4) practice inquiry, 5) technology and information literacy, 6) policy, 7) health delivery systems, 8) ethics, and 9) independent practice. NOTE: Learners are responsible for a total accumulation of 18 credits/810 contact hours contact hours of psychiatric-mental health practicum experience throughout the entire program. The practicum courses are typically developed in one (1) credit hour/45 contact hour increments to allow for learner flexibility in scheduling and completing the required program practicum hours.

MSN 634 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 4

Delivery Modality:	Distance education and practicum experiences
Semester Credits:	1 Contact
Contact Hours:	45 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	The learner will complete a total of 45 practicum hours in this course.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	MSN 580, MSN 582, MSN 584, MSN 586, MSN 588, MSN 590
Corequisites:	None
Requisites:	MSN 596, MSN 630, MSN 650, MSN 690
Description:	This one (1) credit hour supervised practicum experience will provide the learner with an opportunity to synthesize and apply advanced practice nursing skills and knowledge regarding the assessment, diagnosis, and management of care among children, adolescents, pregnant women, adults, and older adults in psychiatric-mental health settings. Learners will function under the mentorship of course faculty and work in collaboration with qualified preceptors. In addition, the learner will build academic and clinical advanced practice nursing capacity within the APRN overarching competency areas and role domains including, but not limited to, 1) scientific foundation, 2) leadership, 3) quality, 4) practice inquiry, 5) technology and information literacy, 6) policy, 7) health delivery systems, 8) ethics, and 9) independent practice. NOTE: Learners are responsible for a total accumulation of 18 credits/810 contact hours contact hours of psychiatric-mental health practicum experience throughout the entire program. The practicum courses are typically developed in one (1) credit hour/45 contact hour increments to allow for learner flexibility in scheduling and completing the required program practicum hours.

MSN 635 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 5

Delivery Modality:	Distance education and practicum experiences
Semester Credits:	1 Contact
Contact Hours:	45 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	The learner will complete a total of 45 practicum hours in this course.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	MSN 580, MSN 582, MSN 584, MSN 586, MSN 588, MSN 590
Corequisites:	None

MSN 635 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 5

Requisites:	MSN 596, MSN 630, MSN 650, MSN 690
Description:	This one (1) credit hour supervised practicum experience will provide the learner with an opportunity to synthesize and apply advanced practice nursing skills and knowledge regarding the assessment, diagnosis, and management of care among children, adolescents, pregnant women, adults, and older adults in psychiatric-mental health settings. Learners will function under the mentorship of course faculty and work in collaboration with qualified preceptors. In addition, the learner will build academic and clinical advanced practice nursing capacity within the APRN overarching competency areas and role domains including, but not limited to, 1) scientific foundation, 2) leadership, 3) quality, 4) practice inquiry, 5) technology and information literacy, 6) policy, 7) health delivery systems, 8) ethics, and 9) independent practice. NOTE: Learners are responsible for a total accumulation of 18 credits/810 contact hours contact hours of psychiatric-mental health practicum experience throughout the entire program. The practicum courses are typically developed in one (1) credit hour/45 contact hour increments to allow for learner flexibility in scheduling and completing the required program practicum hours.

MSN 636 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 6

Delivery Modality:	Distance education and practicum experiences
Semester Credits:	1 Contact
Contact Hours:	45 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	The learner will complete a total of 45 practicum hours in this course.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	MSN 580, MSN 582, MSN 584, MSN 586, MSN 588, MSN 590
Corequisites:	None
Requisites:	MSN 596, MSN 630, MSN 650, MSN 690
Description:	This one (1) credit hour supervised practicum experience will provide the learner with an opportunity to synthesize and apply advanced practice nursing skills and knowledge regarding the assessment, diagnosis, and management of care among children, adolescents, pregnant women, adults, and older adults in psychiatric-mental health settings. Learners will function under the mentorship of course faculty and work in collaboration with qualified preceptors. In addition, the learner will build academic and clinical advanced practice nursing capacity within the APRN overarching competency areas and role domains including, but not limited to, 1) scientific foundation, 2) leadership, 3) quality, 4) practice inquiry, 5) technology and information literacy, 6) policy, 7) health delivery systems, 8) ethics, and 9) independent practice. NOTE: Learners are responsible for a total accumulation of 18 credits/810 contact hours contact hours of psychiatric-mental health practicum experience throughout the entire program. The practicum courses are typically developed in one (1) credit hour/45 contact hour increments to allow for learner flexibility in scheduling and completing the required program practicum hours.

MSN 637 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 7

Delivery Modality:	Distance education and practicum
Semester Credits:	1
Contact Hours:	45 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	The learner will complete a total of 45 practicum hours in this course.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	MSN 580, MSN 582, MSN 584, MSN 586, MSN 588, MSN 590
Corequisites:	None
Requisites:	MSN 596, MSN 630, MSN 650, MSN 690

MSN 637 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 7

Description: This one (1) credit hour supervised practicum experience will provide the learner with an opportunity to synthesize and apply advanced practice nursing skills and knowledge regarding the assessment, diagnosis, and management of care among children, adolescents, pregnant women, adults, and older adults in psychiatric-mental health settings. Learners will function under the mentorship of course faculty and work in collaboration with qualified preceptors. In addition, the learner will build academic and clinical advanced practice nursing capacity within the APRN overarching competency areas and role domains including, but not limited to, 1) scientific foundation, 2) leadership, 3) quality, 4) practice inquiry, 5) technology and information literacy, 6) policy, 7) health delivery systems, 8) ethics, and 9) independent practice. NOTE: Learners are responsible for a total accumulation of 18 credits/810 contact hours contact hours of psychiatric-mental health practicum experience throughout the entire program. The practicum courses are typically developed in one (1) credit hour/45 contact hour increments to allow for learner flexibility in scheduling and completing the required program practicum hours.

MSN 638 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 8

Delivery Modality: Distance education and practicum experiences

Semester Credits: 1

Contact Hours: 45 (Online Didactic)

Outside Preparation: The learner will complete a total of 45 practicum hours in this course.

Typically Offered:

Prerequisites: MSN 580, MSN 582, MSN 584, MSN 586, MSN 588, MSN 590

Corequisites: None

Requisites: MSN 596, MSN 630, MSN 650, MSN 690

Description: This one (1) credit hour supervised practicum experience will provide the learner with an opportunity to synthesize and apply advanced practice nursing skills and knowledge regarding the assessment, diagnosis, and management of care among children, adolescents, pregnant women, adults, and older adults in psychiatric-mental health settings. Learners will function under the mentorship of course faculty and work in collaboration with qualified preceptors. In addition, the learner will build academic and clinical advanced practice nursing capacity within the APRN overarching competency areas and role domains including, but not limited to, 1) scientific foundation, 2) leadership, 3) quality, 4) practice inquiry, 5) technology and information literacy, 6) policy, 7) health delivery systems, 8) ethics, and 9) independent practice. NOTE: Learners are responsible for a total accumulation of 18 credits/810 contact hours contact hours of psychiatric-mental health practicum experience throughout the entire program. The practicum courses are typically developed in one (1) credit hour/45 contact hour increments to allow for learner flexibility in scheduling and completing the required program practicum hours.

MSN 639 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 9

Delivery Modality: Distance education and practicum experiences

Semester Credits: 1

Contact Hours: 45 (Online Didactic) **Outside Preparation:** The learner will complete a total of 45 practicum hours in this course.

Outside Preparation:

Typically Offered:

Prerequisites: MSN 580, MSN 582, MSN 584, MSN 586, MSN 588, MSN 590

Corequisites: None

Requisites: MSN 596, MSN 630, MSN 650, MSN 690

MSN 639 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 9

Description: This one (1) credit hour supervised practicum experience will provide the learner with an opportunity to synthesize and apply advanced practice nursing skills and knowledge regarding the assessment, diagnosis, and management of care among children, adolescents, pregnant women, adults, and older adults in psychiatric-mental health settings. Learners will function under the mentorship of course faculty and work in collaboration with qualified preceptors. In addition, the learner will build academic and clinical advanced practice nursing capacity within the APRN overarching competency areas and role domains including, but not limited to, 1) scientific foundation, 2) leadership, 3) quality, 4) practice inquiry, 5) technology and information literacy, 6) policy, 7) health delivery systems, 8) ethics, and 9) independent practice. NOTE: Learners are responsible for a total accumulation of 18 credits/810 contact hours contact hours of psychiatric-mental health practicum experience throughout the entire program. The practicum courses are typically developed in one (1) credit hour/45 contact hour increments to allow for learner flexibility in scheduling and completing the required program practicum hours.

MSN 641 : Advanced Family Health in Primary Care Settings Practicum 10

Delivery Modality: Distance education and practicum experiences

Semester Credits: 1

Contact Hours: 45 (Online Didactic)

Outside Preparation: The learner will complete a total of 45 practicum hours in this course.

Typically Offered:

Prerequisites: MSN 580, MSN 582, MSN 584, MSN 586, MSN 588, MSN 590

Corequisites: None

Requisites: MSN 596, MSN 630, MSN 650, MSN 690

Description: This one (1) credit hour supervised practicum experience will provide the learner with an opportunity to synthesize and apply advanced practice nursing skills and knowledge regarding the assessment, diagnosis, and management of care among children, adolescents, pregnant women, adults, and older adults in psychiatric-mental health settings. Learners will function under the mentorship of course faculty and work in collaboration with qualified preceptors. In addition, the learner will build academic and clinical advanced practice nursing capacity within the APRN overarching competency areas and role domains including, but not limited to, 1) scientific foundation, 2) leadership, 3) quality, 4) practice inquiry, 5) technology and information literacy, 6) policy, 7) health delivery systems, 8) ethics, and 9) independent practice. NOTE: Learners are responsible for a total accumulation of 18 credits/810 contact hours contact hours of psychiatric-mental health practicum experience throughout the entire program. The practicum courses are typically developed in one (1) credit hour/45 contact hour increments to allow for learner flexibility in scheduling and completing the required program practicum hours.

MSN 642 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 11

Delivery Modality: Distance education and practicum experiences

Semester Credits: 1

Contact Hours: 45 (Online Didactic)

Outside Preparation: The learner will complete a total of 45 practicum hours in this course.

Typically Offered:

Prerequisites: MSN 580, MSN 582, MSN 584, MSN 586, MSN 588, MSN 590

Corequisites: None

Requisites: MSN 596, MSN 630, MSN 650, MSN 690

Description: This one (1) credit hour supervised practicum experience will provide the learner with an opportunity to synthesize and apply advanced practice nursing skills and knowledge regarding the assessment,

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diagnosis, and management of care among children, adolescents, pregnant women, adults, and older adults in psychiatric-mental health settings. Learners will function under the mentorship of course faculty and work in collaboration with qualified preceptors. In addition, the learner will build academic and clinical advanced practice nursing capacity within the APRN overarching competency areas and role domains including, but not limited to, 1) scientific foundation, 2) leadership, 3) quality, 4) practice inquiry, 5) technology and information literacy, 6) policy, 7) health delivery systems, 8) ethics, and 9) independent practice. NOTE: Learners are responsible for a total accumulation of 18 credits/810 contact hours contact hours of psychiatric-mental health practicum experience throughout the entire program. The practicum courses are typically developed in one (1) credit hour/45 contact hour increments to allow for learner flexibility in scheduling and completing the required program practicum hours.

MSN 643 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 12

Delivery Modality:	Distance education and practicum experiences
Semester Credits:	1
Contact Hours:	45 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	The learner will complete a total of 45 practicum hours in this course.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	MSN 580, MSN 582, MSN 584, MSN 586, MSN 588, MSN 590
Corequisites:	None
Requisites:	MSN 596, MSN 630, MSN 650, MSN 690
Description:	This one (1) credit hour supervised practicum experience will provide the learner with an opportunity to synthesize and apply advanced practice nursing skills and knowledge regarding the assessment, diagnosis, and management of care among children, adolescents, pregnant women, adults, and older adults in psychiatric-mental health settings. Learners will function under the mentorship of course faculty and work in collaboration with qualified preceptors. In addition, the learner will build academic and clinical advanced practice nursing capacity within the APRN overarching competency areas and role domains including, but not limited to, 1) scientific foundation, 2) leadership, 3) quality, 4) practice inquiry, 5) technology and information literacy, 6) policy, 7) health delivery systems, 8) ethics, and 9) independent practice. NOTE: Learners are responsible for a total accumulation of 18 credits/810 contact hours contact hours of psychiatric-mental health practicum experience throughout the entire program. The practicum courses are typically developed in one (1) credit hour/45 contact hour increments to allow for learner flexibility in scheduling and completing the required program practicum hours.

MSN 644 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 13

Delivery Modality:	Distance education and practicum experiences
Semester Credits:	1
Contact Hours:	45 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	The learner will complete a total of 45 practicum hours in this course.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	MSN 580, MSN 582, MSN 584, MSN 586, MSN 588, MSN 590
Corequisites:	None
Requisites:	MSN 596, MSN 630, MSN 650, MSN 690
Description:	This one (1) credit hour supervised practicum experience will provide the learner with an opportunity to synthesize and apply advanced practice nursing skills and knowledge regarding the assessment, diagnosis, and management of care among children, adolescents, pregnant women, adults, and

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older adults in psychiatric-mental health settings. Learners will function under the mentorship of course faculty and work in collaboration with qualified preceptors. In addition, the learner will build academic and clinical advanced practice nursing capacity within the APRN overarching competency areas and role domains including, but not limited to, 1) scientific foundation, 2) leadership, 3) quality, 4) practice inquiry, 5) technology and information literacy, 6) policy, 7) health delivery systems, 8) ethics, and 9) independent practice. NOTE: Learners are responsible for a total accumulation of 18 credits/810 contact hours contact hours of psychiatric-mental health practicum experience throughout the entire program. The practicum courses are typically developed in one (1) credit hour/45 contact hour increments to allow for learner flexibility in scheduling and completing the required program practicum hours.

MSN 645 : Assessment and Evaluation in Nursing Education

Delivery Modality:	Distance education and practicum experiences
Semester Credits:	3
Contact Hours:	45 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	The learner will complete a total of 45 practicum hours in this course.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	None
Corequisites:	None
Requisites:	None
Description:	This course is designed to provide advanced nursing education learners with a comprehensive understanding of assessment and evaluation strategies specific to nursing education. The course focuses on equipping learners with the knowledge and skills necessary to effectively assess the learning outcomes of nursing learners and evaluate the overall effectiveness of nursing education programs. The course emphasizes both theoretical concepts and practical applications in the field of nursing education assessment.

MSN 646 :

Delivery Modality:
Semester Credits:
Contact Hours:
Outside Preparation:
Typically Offered:
Prerequisites:
Corequisites:
Requisites:
Description:

MSN 647 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 16

Delivery Modality:	Distance education and practicum experiences
Semester Credits:	1
Contact Hours:	45 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	The learner will complete a total of 45 practicum hours in this course.
Typically Offered:	

MSN 647 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 16

Prerequisites:	MSN 580, MSN 582, MSN 584, MSN 586, MSN 588, MSN 590
Corequisites:	None
Requisites:	MSN 596, MSN 630, MSN 650, MSN 690
Description:	This one (1) credit hour supervised practicum experience will provide the learner with an opportunity to synthesize and apply advanced practice nursing skills and knowledge regarding the assessment, diagnosis, and management of care among children, adolescents, pregnant women, adults, and older adults in psychiatric-mental health settings. Learners will function under the mentorship of course faculty and work in collaboration with qualified preceptors. In addition, the learner will build academic and clinical advanced practice nursing capacity within the APRN overarching competency areas and role domains including, but not limited to, 1) scientific foundation, 2) leadership, 3) quality, 4) practice inquiry, 5) technology and information literacy, 6) policy, 7) health delivery systems, 8) ethics, and 9) independent practice. NOTE: Learners are responsible for a total accumulation of 18 credits/810 contact hours of psychiatric-mental health practicum experience throughout the entire program. The practicum courses are typically developed in one (1) credit hour/45 contact hour increments to allow for learner flexibility in scheduling and completing the required program practicum hours.

MSN 648 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 17

Delivery Modality:	Distance education and practicum experiences
Semester Credits:	1
Contact Hours:	45 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	The learner will complete a total of 45 practicum hours in this course.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	MSN 580, MSN 582, MSN 584, MSN 586, MSN 588, MSN 590
Corequisites:	None
Requisites:	MSN 596, MSN 630, MSN 650, MSN 690
Description:	This one (1) credit hour supervised practicum experience will provide the learner with an opportunity to synthesize and apply advanced practice nursing skills and knowledge regarding the assessment, diagnosis, and management of care among children, adolescents, pregnant women, adults, and older adults in psychiatric-mental health settings. Learners will function under the mentorship of course faculty and work in collaboration with qualified preceptors. In addition, the learner will build academic and clinical advanced practice nursing capacity within the APRN overarching competency areas and role domains including, but not limited to, 1) scientific foundation, 2) leadership, 3) quality, 4) practice inquiry, 5) technology and information literacy, 6) policy, 7) health delivery systems, 8) ethics, and 9) independent practice. NOTE: Learners are responsible for a total accumulation of 18 credits/810 contact hours of psychiatric-mental health practicum experience throughout the entire program. The practicum courses are typically developed in one (1) credit hour/45 contact hour increments to allow for learner flexibility in scheduling and completing the required program practicum hours.

MSN 649 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 18

Delivery Modality:	Distance education and practicum experiences
Semester Credits:	1
Contact Hours:	45 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	The learner will complete a total of 45 practicum hours in this course.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	MSN 580, MSN 582, MSN 584, MSN 586, MSN 588, MSN 590

MSN 649 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan Practicum 18

Corequisites:	None
Requisites:	MSN 596, MSN 630, MSN 650, MSN 690
Description:	This one (1) credit hour supervised practicum experience will provide the learner with an opportunity to synthesize and apply advanced practice nursing skills and knowledge regarding the assessment, diagnosis, and management of care among children, adolescents, pregnant women, adults, and older adults in psychiatric-mental health settings. Learners will function under the mentorship of course faculty and work in collaboration with qualified preceptors. In addition, the learner will build academic and clinical advanced practice nursing capacity within the APRN overarching competency areas and role domains including, but not limited to, 1) scientific foundation, 2) leadership, 3) quality, 4) practice inquiry, 5) technology and information literacy, 6) policy, 7) health delivery systems, 8) ethics, and 9) independent practice. NOTE: Learners are responsible for a total accumulation of 18 credits/810 contact hours contact hours of psychiatric-mental health practicum experience throughout the entire program. The practicum courses are typically developed in one (1) credit hour/45 contact hour increments to allow for learner flexibility in scheduling and completing the required program practicum hours.

MSN 650 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Care Across the Lifespan II

Delivery Modality:	Distance education and practicum experiences
Semester Credits:	3
Contact Hours:	Contact Hours: 45 (Online Didactic)
Outside Preparation:	An average of three (3) hours per week for every didactic credit hour.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	MSN580; MSN582; MSN584; MSN586; MSN588; MSN590; MSN592; MSN596; MSN598
Corequisites:	MSN Practicum courses
Requisites:	None
Description:	This course is a continuation of the Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Across the Lifespan I didactic course and emphasizes health promotion, disease prevention, diagnostic reasoning, and management of common and complex illnesses in psychiatric practice across the lifespan. Evidence-based practice, research, and theory are utilized to ascertain strategies that are critical to advanced nursing practice for health promotion and prevention of disease. In addition, learners apply clinical judgment to develop differential diagnoses and develop and implement an evidence-based plan of care and therapeutic regimen including psychopharmacology. Concepts related to efficient patient, provider, and healthcare team communication and collaboration in addition to diversity, equity and inclusion elements are highlighted. Evidence-based practice and practice standards guide holistic care, psychopharmacology, and therapy across the lifespan as individuals, families, and communities. The patient's sociocultural background, developmental level, and treatment settings are discussed and considered in the management of care.

MSN 690 : Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner across the Lifespan III

Delivery Modality:	Distance (Online Didactic Instruction)
Semester Credits:	3 (Didactic Only)
Contact Hours:	45 (Didactic Contact)
Outside Preparation:	An average of three (3) hours per week for every didactic credit hour.
Typically Offered:	
Prerequisites:	MSN580; MSN582; MSN584; MSN586; MSN588; MSN590; MSN592; MSN596; MSN 598
Corequisites:	MSN Practicum courses
Requisites:	None

Description:

This course is a continuation of the Advanced Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Across the Lifespan I and II didactic courses and emphasizes disease prevention, health promotion, diagnostic reasoning, and management of common illnesses in psychiatric practice across the lifespan. Evidence-based practice, research, and theory continue to be utilized to identify methods that are critical to advanced nursing practice for health promotion and prevention of disease. Additionally, learners apply clinical judgment to develop differential diagnoses and develop and implement an evidence-based plan of care and therapeutic regimen including psychopharmacology. Research findings, evidence-based practice and practice standards facilitate holistic and comprehensive care, psychopharmacology and therapy with children, adolescents, adults, and older adults as individuals in families or groups. An emphasis on advanced practice legal, regulatory, and ethical issues are addressed.